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Editorial

TWO IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS

At the recent meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South at St. Louis, two resolutions were introduced and passed, to which, because of their general interest and importance, we wish to give editorial sanction and prominence. It is earnestly to be hoped that the support of scholars and institutions as well as private individuals of wealth who have so often come to the assistance of the cause of scholarship and culture may be found ready to meet the present emergency as outlined in the first resolution. The reasonableness and desirability of the object of the second resolution should commend it to those bodies to whom it is addressed; and, though the difficulties in the way of the end desired are obvious and great, it is to be hoped that the proposed joint committee will be duly appointed and the way cleared for this needed reform.

EXCAVATIONS IN ASIA MINOR

WHEREAS, The preservation of priceless monuments of history and archaeology is seriously imperiled by the rapid advancement of commercial enterprise in Asia Minor; and

WHEREAS, All that untold wealth of material for the better understanding of the civilizations represented by Babylon, Greece, Rome, and early Christianity can be saved only by immediate, continuous, and systematic exploration and excavation; be it

Resolved, That the Classical Association of the Middle West and South hereby expresses its approval of the splendid plans outlined by Dr. J. R. S. Sterrett of Cornell University for not only the surface exploration, but also the thorough excavation of important sites of Asia Minor, and its eager hope

that some richly endowed American institution or some American citizen of wealth will come to the rescue with a subvention adequate to save from destruction that vast and wonderful material in imminent danger of being forever lost.

Uniform Grammatical Terminology

We, members of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, assembled in St. Louis at the annual meeting for the year 1911, desire to express our cordial approval of the movement already begun by two educational bodies in America for the harmonizing of grammatical nomenclature and our strong interest in its success.

In order that the work in all its interrelations may most successfully be accomplished, we beg to request the National Education Association, the Modern Language Association, and the American Philological Association to arrange a joint committee for the study of grammatical terminology, and the framing of a consistent system; the members of this committee to be divided as evenly as possible among the three bodies, and also to represent as evenly as possible the school and college alike, provision being made at the same time for representation of the side of school superintendence.

A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held at St. Louis on Saturday, April 8, the following amendment to the constitution was presented: "That the provision whereby the vice-president of the Association is also the vice-president for his own state be stricken from the constitution." By the provisions of the constitution, this amendment will be acted on at the next annual meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW ENGLAND

The New England meeting, an account of which is given under "Current Events," was in every way successful. The large attendance, the generous hospitality of the officers of Phillips Academy and citizens of Exeter, and the high quality of the papers combined to make the meeting a notable one in the history of the Association. The entertainment of the members at the Academy dormitories and the meals together at the commons gave a social quality to the gathering that has been missed at some of the earlier